

MR. GROUT ON THE TUNNEL

Shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday after-

"Well, it was abandoned five or six years after the expenditure of this large sum of money, not only as an impracticable scheme, but as a waste of money in conducting the work, on account of certain frauds which were perpetrated. The committee of engineers who has examined this tunnel, and I recommend that an appropriation be made by the House, if it is believed it can be made available for the purpose, and that it not be submitted to the House committee on appropriations. The proposition was put before the Senate. In fact, it was too late for the House to act upon it. We had, therefore, no investigation of the matter. The amendment of the committee is a very proper appropriation now, and involved the total expenditure of nearly \$300,000.

ing. For several days he regaled himself to the utmost among stones and monuments unmotivated by the Mexican troops, for he was pleased with the international agreement, and then marched back to the border. The point in question was that the three hostilities had been hired by Capt. Bourke to assist him in his intention to make a full investigation of the ruins, and when he returned to the Rio Grande they were there to receive him with extended palms and greasy eyes.

**President of Washburn College.**  
The trustees of Washburn College at Topeka have elected George C. McVicar, president, to succeed Peter McVicar, who was compelled to resign because of sickness. Mr. Horrick was for

## NEXT YEAR'S WORK

The annual meeting of the woman's board of home and foreign missions of the Metho-

One of the reasons advanced by Mrs. Trueheart for desiring to take up the Japan work was stated by her to be, "Our members of the general board and other us, and we want to be good to them whenever we can."

**Birmingham Chosen.**

President Wightman called for nominations for the next meeting next year. Mrs. Brandon of the North Carolina conference nominated Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Swindell named Raleigh. Mrs. Brandon promised the members that if they selected her city the delegates to the an-

the board as an event of special significance; to Bishop A. W. Wilson for the sermon delivered by him before the board Sunday last; to the California lady, who, while requiring that her name be kept se-

secret, presented the board, through Mrs. J. P. Campbell, a missionary, who has re-

handwork may resist elemental upheavals, the sky-scrapers can do it. The people occupying the tall buildings in Chicago may rest reasonably assured that so long as the probable force of a Chicago tornado is concerned, they run no more danger than they would if in smaller buildings. They are not so sure, however, when such as to make the entire building one united column of steel, sufficiently pliant to yield slightly to wind pressure and almost

As an actual fact, the tornado-resisting qualities of any structure can never be fully ascertained, because there is no way of testing them.

A tornado sufficiently strong to drive enormous blocks of stone out of a bridge and overturn locomotives will probably damage anything which stood in its way.

A GOOD PROGRAM

**The Academy of the Visitation, Connecti-**

poet; second premiums, French and English; third premiums, penmanship and object drawing. Miss Katie Whittle—First premium, English; second premium, penmanship; third premium, French and English; fourth premium, arithmetic and penmanship; third premium, French and English. Miss Nannie Gibson—First premium, English; second premium, penmanship, French, Christian doctrine; third premiums, arithmetic, penmanship, reading and object drawing. Miss Annie Smith—First premium, English; second premium, penmanship, French, Christian doctrine; third premiums, arithmetic, penmanship, reading and object drawing. Miss Lucy Powell—Second premium, English; third premiums, reading and object drawing. Miss Mabel Markriter—Second

stems, pails, pans or other tapering cooking utensils are patented snugly. A washer of the same shape is also patented, and the use of it is prevented from slipping clear down by a snug metal writband. The washer is driven into the ground by the use of a mallet, and the gas pipe is then placed about it. The food is cooked in this manner. A coffee pot hanger is also patented, and the use of the same for coffee pot will swing clear, so that the long handle will not be in the way. The inventor of a white cared to do so, he might have made a sum of money by patenting and selling his handy contrivance.

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**Bloomers Might Have Saved Her.**  
From the Chicago Tribune.

Mrs. Mae Netting of Lebanon, Ind., the authoress, who has contributed many articles to the press denouncing the Bloomer,

### DELEGATES-AT-LARGE CHOSEN

**After The Star's report of the Maryland Democratic convention at Baltimore, closed**

Did he persist in trying to learn to ride until he was a mass of black and blue bruises from crown to heel?

Then, a sprig of iron that is beautiful in its power of penetration, did he offer to trade the bike off for most any old thing in the way of upholstered furniture on the grounds that he would use and recover from the effects of a folly that strikes both youth and old age and is as wide as the world in the swath it cuts?

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**Just What He Needed.**

From the Chicago Daily Tribune.

"Stand back!" exclaimed the friend of the man who was down on the ground. "Stand back and give him air!"

And the bystanders accommodately stood back, while the man who was down on the ground calmly went on pumping up